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IN RE APPLICATION OF :
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FOR: BACKGROUND NOISE/SPEECH :
CLASSIFICATION METHOD,
VOICED/UNVOICED CLASSIFICATION
METHOD AND BACKGROUND NOISE
DECODING METHOD, AND SPEECH
ENCODING METHOD AND APPARATUS

AMENDMENT

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated April 4, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.